FDI flow to Orissa

1661. SHRI MAN MOHAN SAMAL: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) the total amount of FDI in India through financial collaborations and through joint ventures and technical collaborations with the State and industry-wise details;

(b) whether Government are taking any measures to bring FDI flow to Orissa in the coming Plan period; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (DR. RAMAN SINGH): (a) A total of 20,868 proposals, including 6,921 technical and 13,947 financial foreign collaborations involving an amount of Rs. 2,73,577.20 crore have been approved during August, 1991 and December, 2001. The details of these collaborations along with State-wise, industry-wise and country-wise particulars are published in the monthly SIA Newsletter, which is circulated to all major establishments including the Parliament Library and also posted on the website: http/www.indmin.nic.in.

(b) and (c) Location of investment is a strategic decision taken by investors based on commercial and related considerations such as investment climate, local market, availability of cheap and competitive labour, etc.

Promotion of a State as a preferred investment destination is the responsibility of the State Government concerned.

Special Economic Zones

1662. SHRI MAN MOHAN SAMAL: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are planning new features in Special Economic Zones (SEZs) to lure more investment to attain 11.9 per cent export annually;

(b) if so, the details thereof;